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## MARGINAL COLUMN

By NIRRIM REJWAN

NURI Said's early arrival in Ankara two days ago to attend the Ministerial Conference of the Baghdad Pact to be held there later this month has come as a surprise. In the first place, it came in the wake of conflicting reports as to who was to head the Iraqi delegation to the meeting, the one most generally accepted being that it was to be Abdul Wahhab Mirjan, the present Premier.

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SECONDLY, Nuri now holds no official position and, although it is common knowledge that the veteran Iraqi statesman has, in or out of office, dominated the course of his nation's politics for the last quarter century, his decision to lead the mission to the forthcoming conference is unprecedented even in Iraqi politics — and notwithstanding the fact that Nuri's followers compose some 90 per cent of the present Iraqi House of Deputies. Moreover, Nuri's arrival in the Turkish capital as long as two weeks before the opening of the Baghdad Pact parley certainly does nothing to make the move more intelligible. Surely Nuri has something considerable up his sleeve?

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A GLEAM of light on Nuri's real plans came from the Iraqi capital on Saturday. Foreign Minister Burhan e-Din Basha'ayan, speaking in the Iraqi Parliament, announced that his Government will urge her allies at the forthcoming meeting in Ankara to seek "a solution of the Palestine problem in accordance with United Nations resolutions and those adopted by the Bandung Conference and the Arab League." This seems to be corroborated by Nuri's own movements on his recent "private" visits in Washington, London and Ankara: rumours accompanying these trips were persistent that the veteran pro-Western politician was seeking to get the West's approval for "enforcing" a solution to the Arab-Israel impasse on the basis of the U.N. resolutions of 1947 and 1948. He does not appear to have been discouraged by the plain announcement made by Mr. Dulles, and since then apparently also by Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, that the West does not wish to see this issue raised at Ankara.

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IT is quite understandable that the West, the pro-Western Moslem countries like Turkey, Pakistan and Iraq, as well as those of the Arab States which are eager for reasons of their own, to preserve the *status quo* in the area and stave off further Soviet penetration — should be interested in the ending of the state of war in the Middle East. Soviet propaganda, as well as that of the so-called neutralist Arabs in Syria and Egypt, have exploited this problem in their own interests, especially where the refugees' plight was concerned. The vital question of preserving Jordan intact is closely linked with this problem, since King Hussein cannot hope to pacify his country as long as large numbers of disaffected and easily inflamed refugees are forced to idle away their lives in his shaky realm.

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ALL this is clear. What remains totally obscure is what precisely is meant by "implementing the U.N. resolutions on Palestine," whether the West, or even the Baghdad Pact Moslem members are really interested in resuscitating the obsolete Partition Plan. The creation of a new non-viable Arab State in the area — a State, moreover, that would certainly provide an additional foothold for the Soviets and make Jordan's existence even more precarious — is in nobody's interest, least of all the West's. Alternatively, the annexation by Jordan of more territory, and consequently more disgruntled Palestinians, could only add to that country's difficulties and endanger the position of King Hussein even further.

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AND that is quite apart from what Israel would have to say on the subject. No matter what Nuri's plans may turn out to be at the forthcoming meeting in Ankara, and whether or not these plans have a bearing on Israel's frontiers, Israel remains firm in the belief that any proposed solution must start with the permanent settlement of the refugees, and that any such settlement will have to be made largely outside her territories as they now are. The Arab States, through their intransigence and active belligerency, have managed to create the refugee problem. It is they who must now make the major contribution towards solving it. In this they will have every support, both from Israel and the whole free world.

*Jerusalem, January 15.*

### BADR IN MOSCOW

MOSCOW, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Yemeni Crown Prince, Mohammed el Badr, was today entertained to an official lunch in the Kremlin. Among the guests was Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko. Badr arrived from China, and is going on to Egypt and Syria.

## Holland Opens Embassy—First In Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Netherlands became the first State to establish an Embassy in Jerusalem with the announcement yesterday that the Legations of Israel and the Netherlands would be raised to that rank.

Ten nations are now represented in Israel by embassies — France, Russia, the U.S., Italy, Argentina, Britain, Canada, Sweden, Burma and the Netherlands. An eleventh, Ghana, has not yet set up its embassy although Israel has an Ambassador in Accra.

Three other diplomatic missions are located in the capital — the Legations of Guatemala, Uruguay and Cuba.

The Ambassador of the Netherlands is Jonkheer Johan Quirijn Bas Backer who presented his letters of credence as Minister on February 25, 1957.

The first Minister from The Hague was Dr. John Alexander Nederbragt who was appointed Consul-General for Palestine and Trans-Jordan in January, 1948. He stayed on in Jerusalem after the establishment of the State, and in February, 1949, he was designated as Dutch Representative in Israel. In January 1950 he became Minister and continued his residence in Jerusalem. He left the Foreign Service at the end of 1950.

Dr. Nederbragt, whose sympathy for the new State was expressed in his book "Jerusalem, Ere I Forget Thee," died at 73 in September 1953.

He was succeeded by Jonkheer M.P. M. van Karnebeek who served from November, 1950 to February, 1953. Mr. Gideon W. Boissevain came in May, 1953 and left in January, 1957.

Israel's Ambassador at The Hague is Mr. Hanan Cidor who presented his letters of credence as Minister in June, 1957. Mr. Cidor was formerly Director of the International Organizations Division of the Foreign Ministry.

During 1957, Sweden and Burma raised their Legations to Embassies and the following countries established diplomatic relations with Israel: The Philippines, Ecuador, Liberia, Colombia, Ceylon, and Bolivia.

## Peres Back From Trip to Burma

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. —Mr. Shimon Peres, Director-General of the Ministry of Defence, returned this evening from a week's visit to Burma where he attended, together with the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Moshe Dayan, that country's tenth anniversary celebrations.

Mr. Peres came via Rome by Air France.

The Israel goodwill mission spent eight days in Burma, one in Bangkok and two in New Delhi.

In a statement to the press, written jointly by the Chief of Staff and Mr. Peres, the interest shown in Israel affairs by Burmans was stressed. "We are thankful to the Government of Burma for the honour bestowed on us. The visit strengthened our esteem and friendship for the Burmese people," the statement said.

During the first four days of the tour, Commodore Than Pe, O.C. Navy, and Brigadier-General Kew Win accompanied the Israel visitors, while Air-Commodore T. Clift, O.C. Air Force, joined them on the last four days.

The goodwill mission was received for lunch by the Prime Minister, U Nu, and for dinner by the Chief of Staff, General Ne Win.

They were also received by the Deputy Premier and Minister of Defence, U Ba Swe.

## Dayan: No Reason For Border Trouble

LONDON, Tuesday (INA).— The situation on Israel's borders is more peaceful than at any time since the establishment of the State, Rav-Aluf Moshe Dayan, the Israel Chief of Staff, told an interviewer last night on his arrival here.

Asked if the situation might worsen, R/A Dayan replied, "There is no reason why it should."

The Chief of Staff, who is to address a dinner given by the British Technion Committee tonight, had arrived from Burma, where he attended the 10th State Anniversary celebrations, and Thailand.

## *Russian Experts in New Syrian Staff College*

Sixteen Russian instructors have been appointed to the new Syrian Army Staff College recently established in Damascus, according to the Old City daily "El Jihad" yesterday.

"They are already engaged in training Syrian cadets in the use of Soviet weapons.

The report said that the head of the college is Col. Fihmi Sultan. The school is the second in Syria, the first one being located in Homa.

***The Reunion*** **of the famous Charles brothers at Lydda Airport on Monday night highlighted the welcome for the Welsh footballers. John, 26, (in centre) who now plays for Juventus, the Italian Club, awaited his younger brother Melwin, 22, (on left) whom he has not seen since he left for Italy in early 1957. The Juventus Director, Mr. Gigi Peronacez, is seen holding flowers on the right.**

(Photo by Beres)

## *18-Year-Old Faces Charles In Today's Cup Game with Wales*

By PAUL KOHN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The Israel international football team to take the field against Wales tomorrow in the first leg of their World Cup matches shows one change from the team that beat Copenhagen selected 2:1 last week. Several position switches were also evident in the line-up announced tonight.

Eighteen-year-old Gideon Tisch of Tel Aviv Hapoel will make his debut in international football at left half, replacing Benjamin Rabinowitz, of Tel Aviv Maccabi. Tisch has been given the job of marking John Charles, the brilliant Welsh inside right.

Yoshua "Shy" Glazer, the veteran centre forward, has been switched to outside right to enable Nahum Stelmach to lead the attack. Yitzhak Nahmias has been moved from outside right to inside left, the position he plays for Tel Aviv Maccabi.

The Welsh line-up aims at a double centre forward attack, with Terry Medwin in the centre and prolific goalscorer John Charles next to him at inside right. Both wingers, Clifford Jones and Len Allchurch, are fast and tricky, and can be counted on to extend the Israel defence.

The Welsh footballers were in togs and training at the Ramat Gan Stadium this morning and afternoon, each time for about an hour. They were surprised to find no goalposts up nor a ball to kick in the morning, and devoted it to loosening up exercises and sprinting.

Both the Israel and Welsh footballers and officials were the guests at a reception tonight given by the British Ambassador and Lady Francis Rundall. The Israel Football Association will be host to the teams tomorrow night.

The gates of the Stadium will open at noon for an expected 50,000 spectators. The kick-off is at 2.45 p.m. The entire match will be broadcast over Kol Yisrael and a part of it (in English) will be relayed abroad by Kol Zion Lagola in the evening.

Dan will run buses to the Stadium from special stops at the Central Bus Station, Rehov Mikve Yisrael, Rehov Ben-Yehuda corner of Rehov Trumpeldor and from the Armon David Cinema in Rehov Dizengoff.

Heavy betting on the game has been noticed, with odds of 10:1 in favour of the visitors.

**WALES**

Kelsey (Arsenal) goal; Williams (W.B.A.) right back (2); Hopkins (Tottenham) left back (3); Harrington (Cardiff) right half (4); Mel Charles (Swansea) centre half (5); Bowen (Arsenal) Capt. left half (6); Len Allchurch (Swansea) outside right (7); John Charles (Juventus) inside right (8); Medwin (Tottenham) centre forward (9); Ivor Allchurch (Swansea) inside left (10); Jones (Swansea) outside left (11).

**ISRAEL**

Chodorov (Tel Aviv Hap.) goal; Lefkovitz (Tel Aviv Hap.) right back (2); Mordekowitz (Ramat Gan Hap.) left back (3); Amar (Haifa Mac.) right half (4); Reznik (Tel Aviv Mac.) centre half (5); Tisch (Tel Aviv Hap.) left half (6); Glaser (Tel Aviv Mac.) outside right (7); Goldstein (Tel Aviv Mac.) inside right (8); Stelmach (Petah Tikva Hap.) centre forward (9); Nahmias (Tel Aviv Mac.) inside left (10); (Ratzabi (Petah Tikva Hap.) outside left (11).

### Bathing in Med. And Red Sea

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The Welsh football players took advantage of today's balmy weather to bathe in the sea near the Sharon Hotel between their morning and afternoon practice sessions. The air temperature was 21 degrees.

Meanwhile, Eilat residents sweltered in 28 degrees and humidity of 66 per cent. Scores of tourists came to the beach by lorry over the new road which is being opened officially on Thursday.

## American Budget Said Inadequate

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — Leaders of both parties agreed today that the Government is heading into a new period of red-ink spending despite President Eisenhower's "balanced" budget of $73,900m. introduced yesterday.

Some view this prospect with alarm, others figure that, in view of the business slump, deficit spending is not as bad as it was last year or the year before when the economy was booming.

The President has looked for an upswing in the economy to boost tax revenues high enough to cover the new budget and provide a $500m. surplus, and has called the current $275,000m. national debt ceiling "too restrictive." The debt now stands at $274,000m.

Key Democrats claimed actual spending for some programmes will be higher than the President said, and many were already talking about launching a drive to increase defence spending over the levels proposed by Mr. Eisenhower, especially in funds for ballistic missiles.

Secretary of the Treasury Robert Anderson today sent Congress a request for a temporary increase of $5,000m. in the public debt limit.

## BOAC Orders 35 Vickers Jetliners

LONDON, Tuesday (UP). — British Overseas Airways Corporation today placed an order for 35 jet airliners of the Vickers Aircraft Company for their Asian and African routes. It was the largest single aircraft order ever made in Britain.

BOAC also took an option on 20 more of the Vickers planes, which were the new VC-10 jet liners. The planes were expected to be in operation by 1963.

The VC-10 is the largest British jet liner designed, with a capacity of 152 passengers.

## No Blast as U.S. A-Bomber Crashes

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — The Air Force disclosed last night that one of its planes had crashed while carrying a nuclear weapon without causing an atomic explosion.

The Air Force refused to say where or when the crash occurred. It issued the statement as evidence that there is no danger of a nuclear explosion from the accidental crash of an atomic bomber. It was understood the crash occurred within the continental limits of the U.S.

"The plane was destroyed by fire," the Air Force said in response to questions from newsmen. "No nuclear explosion was possible and of course none occurred." The question of whether such a danger exists was angrily debated in London recently following disclosure that the British-based U.S. strategic bombers with atomic weapons were flying training missions out of England.

## *Uganda Leader Held For Assassination Plot*

KAMPALA, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Chairman of the Uganda National Congress, Joseph Kiwanuka, was today arrested following allegations of a plot to kill the Kabaka (King) of Buganda, who is due to leave this evening for a visit to Britain.

Kiwanuka was remanded in custody charged with conspiring to bribe three people to kill the Kabaka and his chiefs.

The alleged plot also aimed at the lives of the Buganda Prime Minister, Mr. Michael Kintu, the Kabaka's uncle, Prince Badru, the Health Minister, Mr. Amos Sempa, and Mr. Aloysius Lubowa, newspaper editor and Member of Parliament.

## Egypt May Bar Dutch Shipping From Suez Canal

LUXOR, Egypt, Tuesday (Reuter). — Abdul Nasser and President Sukarno of Indonesia held their second round of talks today after a visit to the nearby Valley of the Kings.

Dr. Sukarno, who is on a six-week tour of Asia and the Middle East arrived two days ago from India. Egyptian sources said a communique on the talks would be issued on Thursday.

The newspaper "A-Sha'ab" said today Egypt might support Indonesia in her dispute with the Netherlands by banning Dutch ship from the Suez Canal and refusing to refuel Dutch planes which land in Egypt. It also said that Egypt might "organize volunteers" to help Indonesia.

In Belgrade, foreign sources predicted that a Yugoslav-Indonesian arms deal will be concluded by the week-end.

A five-man Indonesian delegation has been conferring for nine days behind closed doors with Yugoslav officials in an effort to obtain small arms in exchange for consumer goods. The Indonesian delegation leaves tomorrow for Prague. Sources in Belgrade said that agreement has been reached.

Dr. Sukarno will leave Cairo for Belgrade on Friday and his arrival in the Yugoslav capital is expected to finalize the arms agreement.

## U.S. Envoy Meets Ministers on Loan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Economic relations between Israel and the U.S. were reviewed in Jerusalem yesterday when the American Ambassador, Mr. Edward B. Lawson, called on the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, and the Finance Minister, Mr. Levi Eshkol.

The main topics discussed are understood to have been the pending $75m. loan requested by Israel from the Export-Import Bank of the U.S. and the prospects for next year's U.S. grant-in-aid, which it is hoped will amount to $38m., as in the current year.

It is understood that the Government is pressing for a decision on the Export-Import Bank loan as the coming year's irrigation and agricultural projects are based on it to a considerable extent.

In the draft budget now being discussed by the Cabinet, IL36m. ($20m.) is included in the revenue side as coming from this loan.

## U.S. Awaits Reply From Yemen on Aid

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — The U.S. is still considering the possibility of supplying economic aid to Yemen, the State Department spokesman, Mr. Lincoln White, said today.

Mr. White recalled at a press conference that an American survey team had gone to Yemen last year to explore ways in which the U.S. could be of assistance.

As a result, he continued, certain proposals were put to the Yemeni Government which was not yet in a position to give the U.S. a full answer.

Asked whether the U.S. would reconsider its offer in view of the agreement between China and Yemen, Mr. White said he thought the U.S. would await a full response from the Yemeni Government before there was any reconsideration.

### *3 Iraqi Ex-Premiers For Ankara Talks*

The Iraqi ex-Premiers, Tewfik Suweidi and Fadel Jamali, will join the Iraqi delegation which will participate in the Baghdad Ministerial Council meeting in Ankara on January 27, according to Beirut Radio last night.

Former Premier Nuri Said, who is to head the Iraqi group to Ankara, is already in Turkey. He was earlier reported en route to London for medical treatment and was scheduled to return to Ankara for the session.

Meanwhile, the Arab News Agency reported that Iraq has agreed to a Turkish request to "loan" 3,000 tons of crude oil.

## Dag, Lloyd to Hold General Review

By GERDA L. COHEN

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Tuesday. — A general *tour d'horizon*, naturally touching on Middle East issues, is expected to occupy the consultations on Thursday between the U.N. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, and Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd.

No agenda has been fixed but Mr. Hammarskjold will probably recall UNRWA's budgetary plight in order to ask for an increase in Britain's contribution. The U.S. now supplies 70 per cent and Britain 20 per cent of the budget, while the Soviet bloc does not contribute at all.

### Wooing the Arabs

While the Arabs continue to press for refugee repatriation, Western contributors are anxious to woo the Arab states and cannot insist on UNRWA devoting the funds for resettlement. Soviet string-pulling within the Afro-Asian congress, coupled with growing Soviet domination of Syria, make it harder for Mr. Hammarskjold to urge British backing for measures likely to fortify Russian influence in the Middle East, as, for example, a unilateral arms embargo.

The farcical episode of the 1,000 rifles for Tunisia demonstrated that Anglo-American politicians still fondly hope to buy Arab sympathies with armaments: the Egyptian gift of rifles for Tunisia went unnoticed in the British press.

The former American Ambassador to Russia, Mr. George Kennan, lecturing over the B.B.C., advised the Western powers to detach themselves from the Middle East arena by developing alternative oil sources. But American reaction showed that Mr. Kennan's enlightenment is not shared by his own party, nor does the British Government contemplate acceptance of Arab self-determination, which the left-wing favours.

## Eban Confers at U.N. On Scopus Issue

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (INA). — The Israel Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban, discussed the Mt. Scopus issue with Secretary-General Hammarskjold during the course of a 70-minute meeting yesterday.

The conversation was the first in a month between the two diplomats. It covered both international and Middle East developments, including the Egyptian seizure of the Israel fishing boat Doron. They did not touch on the possibility of a Security Council session on Jordan's complaint against Israel's afforestation project south of Jerusalem.

Mr. Eban was due to meet later in the day with Under-Secretary of State, Christian Herter.

## ASSISTANCE BY ANY OTHER NAME . . .

*Foreign Minister Charles Malik of the Lebanon revealed yesterday that the U.S. aid programme to his country will henceforth operate under the name of the "Lebanese Economic Corporation," the Arab News Agency reported.*

*He said that the change has been made in order that the American assistance would not "offend Arab nationalist feeling."*

*Meanwhile, the Director of the U.S. aid mission in Turkey, Mr. James Smith, arrived in Beirut yesterday in connection with the American financing of several Lebanese development projects.*

### Citrus Growers Petition to the Farmers Federation

At a meeting of the Citrus Growers of Petah Tikva and the vicinity, which was held in Petah Tikva on Wednesday, January 8, 1958, on behalf of the Citrus Growers Association and in which more than 120 growers participated, the following resolution was unanimously passed —

"The meeting expresses its wish to maintain unity among citrus growers and calls on the presidency of the Farmers Federation to take immediately the necessary preliminary steps for establishing a Citrus Growers Association within the Farmers Federation."

This valuable resolution also expresses the will and aspiration of the decisive majority of citrus growers in other towns and villages.

The proper institutions must act immediately in order to fulfil the demands of the public.

Unity within the ranks of the Israel citrus growers must become a reality for their own welfare and for the economy of the country.

ISRAEL CITRUS GROWERS ASSOCIATION

# France Denounces USSR Duplicity in North Africa

## Blunt Reply to Bulganin

PARIS, Tuesday (Reuter). — Soviet backing of immediate independence for Algeria and for subversion in French territories in order to secure a break-away from France, does not tally with Russian affirmations of a desire to see "guaranteed the security, the prosperity, and the greatness of France."

This statement was contained in Premier Felix Gaillard's reply to Premier Bulganin's letter, which was scheduled to be delivered in Moscow tonight.

M. Gaillard's reply paralleled that of President Eisenhower in demanding "careful preparation" prior to any East-West summit meeting.

The Gaillard reply also said that, "With regard to non-aggression pacts, it is hardly easy to believe in the practical utility of new undertakings in this domain as long as the Soviet Government continues to proclaim that it attaches no credit to the assurances given on numerous occasion by the Western powers."

The Premier said that before any meeting takes place "Our Governments should practise tolerance and live in peace with one another in a spirit of good neighbourliness."

He also declared that he considered Marshal Bulganin's proposal that the states possessing a nuclear armament industry should agree not to employ these arms, would not help to avoid the threat of war. "But would, on the contrary, risk aggravating it."

## Gaillard Launches Austerity Battle

PARIS, Tuesday (Reuter). — Premier Felix Gaillard today launched straight into an austerity battle when Parliament reopened after the Christmas recess.

He staked the life of his Government by tabling a confidence motion to prevent a debate on a demand for higher pensions for ex-servicemen which he declared ran counter to the policy of rigid economy already approved by the National Assembly.

The vote will be taken on Thursday, thus delaying a foreign affairs debate planned to begin tomorrow. The Assembly will now have to fix a new agenda after the confidence vote.

Political observers considered M. Gaillard was not in danger but some saw in today's upset the first signs of weakening of parliamentary support for the young Premier who took office two months ago.

## Egypt Not Fit to Sit On Europe's Affairs

By MAURICE CARR,

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS, Tuesday. — France attaches particular importance to the passage in Premier Gaillard's note to Marshal Bulganin pointing out the discrepancy in the repeated Soviet assurances to Paris that the Russians desire the prosperity and well-being of France on the one hand, and Soviet support and encouragement for the recent Afro-Asian conference in Cairo which aimed primarily at the destruction of the French Union on the other.

"The Soviet attitude is all the more disappointing as the Russian Government went out of its way to associate itself officially with the Cairo conference," the Quai d'Orsay spokesman said this evening. The spokesman cited Egypt as a country not qualified to participate in eventual summit talks on European questions.

Asked if Israel as well as Egypt should be called in if the Middle East is discussed, the spokesman replied: "Certainly."

The French Note leaves the agenda of future summit negotiations "wide open." France, like the Middle East, is included in the agenda but the Western Allies are opposed for the time being, at any rate, the spokesman said, adding that all manner of developments are possible in the course of preliminary diplomatic soundings between East and West.

## TUNISIA REJECTS FRENCH PROTEST

TUNIS, Tuesday (Reuter). — Tunisia today rejected a French protest following an incident on the Algerian-Tunisian frontier on Saturday.

France had demanded the return of five French soldiers taken prisoner by an insurgent band which attacked a French patrol in the frontier region and alleged to have been taken into Tunisia. The French protest also called on the Tunisian Government to exercise control over armed bands operating from its territory.

A Tunisian Foreign Ministry communique tonight said the Foreign Minister had told the French Ambassador that the incident occurred in Algeria.

## Moroccans Claim 208 Spaniards Killed

RABAT, Tuesday (Reuter).— The "Army of Liberation of the Moroccan Sahara" claimed today that 208 Spanish troops were killed in two battles in the Spanish Sahara.

A communique from the army's "high command" said that, in a seven-hour battle on January 3, "the Spaniards beat a retreat, leaving 160 dead and more than 190 wounded on the battlefield."

In another clash the same day, the communique claimed the Spanish forces lost 48 killed.

Moroccan casualties were put at one killed.

## SYRIA ALLEGES TURKISH ATTACK

DAMASCUS, Tuesday (Reuter). — A Syrian Army spokesman alleged today that Turkish troops penetrated 50 metres into Syrian territory last Saturday and exchanged shots with civilians for an hour before being forced to withdraw.

There were no casualties among the Syrians and frontier authorities are meeting to discuss the incident, he said.

## Ghana, Russia To Exchange Diplomats

MOSCOW, Tuesday (Reuter). — Russia and Ghana have agreed officially to exchange diplomatic representatives, the Soviet news agency, TASS reported today.

The last stage of talks on the matter were carried on in London between the Soviet Ambassador, Mr. Yakov Malik and Ghana's acting High Commissioner.

## Israel Reports To Europe Council Today

STRASSBURG, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Israel delegation tomorrow will report to the Council of Europe Assembly's Economic Committee on the situation in Israel a spokesman of the organization said today.

The spokesman added that the Israel delegation's status "is more than merely that of observers."

The delegation, consisting of Mr. Peretz Bernstein, M.K., Mr. David Lifschitz, M.K., and Mr. Maurice Fischer and Mr. Moshe Bartur, of the Foreign Ministry, was officially received today by the Assembly President, Mr. Bernard Dehousse, the Belgian Socialist leader.

Meanwhile, the Free Trade Zone Committee of the 17-nation Organization for European Economic Cooperation will meet tomorrow in Paris under the chairmanship of the British Postmaster-General, Mr. Maudling.

## U.S.-Israel Culture Group to Raise $2m.

NEW YORK, Tuesday (INA) —Mr. Samuel Rubin, reelected President of the American-Israel Cultural Foundation, announced at the annual dinner-concert last night that the organization this year will raise $2m. to develop cultural life in Israel.

This is the biggest sum to be raised by the group in its 20-year history. More than 1,500 persons attended the dinner, paying $125 a plate. The dinner was featured by a concert programme in which Imbal participated.

Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, head of the U.S. delegation to the U.N., and Ambassador Abba Eban, were guest speakers.

## Tsur Reports On Ties with France

The Ambassador to France, Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, yesterday reported to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee on Franco-Israel relations and the role of France in world politics, according to an official announcement.

The Director of the West European Division of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Emile Najar, took part in the discussion.

## Cabinet Holding 3rd Budget Debate Today

The Cabinet yesterday held a special session devoted to discussing the draft budget for 1958/59.

The discussion will be completed at a further meeting to be held this morning.

The budget, believed to total IL1,160m., was introduced by the Minister of Finance at Sunday's session of the Cabinet.

## *Japanese Return to Pearl Harbour—for Training*

TOKYO, Tuesday (UP). — A flotilla of four Japanese warships left today on a goodwill training cruise which will take them to Pearl Harbour.

Aboard one destroyer and three U.S. lend-lease frigates were 791 naval officers and men, including 150 ensigns on their first long cruise.

### INDIA-U.K. OIL ACCORD SIGNED

NEW DELHI, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Government today signed an agreement with the British-owned Burmah Oil Company for the formation of a new 500m. rupee (£37.5m.) joint venture for the exploitation of rich oil resources in Assam.

The British company will advance £10m. towards the cost of building a pipeline to two refineries, one in Assam and one in Bihar, which are to be built by the Indian Government.

### AFTER MIDNIGHT

David Oved, of Israel, last night suffered his first defeat in three fights in Britain when he was outpointed over eight rounds by George Darmer, of London.

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## Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi yesterday entertained to luncheon the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mrs. Golda Meir; the Italian Ambassador Benedetto Capomazza, Marquis di Campolattaro; the Swiss Minister and Mrs. Felix Schnyder; Professor R. Bachi; Mr. Akiva Govrin, M.K.; Dr. Leo Kohn, and Mr. Reuven Shiloah and their ladies, and Mr. Walter Eytan.

The President also received the Chief Chaplain of the Israel Defence Forces, Aluf Mishne S. Goren.

Mr. Ben-Zvi on Monday received Mr. Zvi Lurie, member of the Jewish Agency Executive, who recently returned from a visit to Europe. The President also received the wife of the Danish Minister, Mrs. Hugo Hergel.

The Ambassador to Ghana, Mr. Ehud Avriel, paid a courtesy call on the Knesset Speaker, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, on Monday, before returning to his post in Accra. Mr. Sprinzak yesterday received the Austrian Minister, Dr. Kurt Enderl. Dr. Enderl also called on the Chief Rabbis Herzog and Nissim.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, on Monday received Mr. Edward DuCann, M.P., director of a British investment and savings company.

Mr. E. Dobkin, Chairman of the Presidium of the United Israel Appeal, gave a luncheon in honour of Judge and Mrs. Y. Herbstein, of South Africa, at Beit Shalom on Monday.

Mr. William G. Castell, of the Klinger Manufacturing Co. Ltd., London, and Mr. William Susskind, of W. Susskind and Co. Ltd., London, associated with Messrs. Isranyl Ltd., synthetic yarn manufacturers, Jerusalem, are now visiting Israel.

Professor Chaim Rabin, of the Hebrew University, will lecture on "Research in the History of the Hebrew Language," under the auspices of the Hebrew University, today at 6.15 p.m. in the Abraham Mazer Building for the Institute of Jewish Studies on the University campus.

Mr. Rudolph Levy, Director of Education for Apprentices, Ministry of Labour, will address the Jerusalem Rotary Club at 1.15 p.m. today at the Y.M.C.A. on "Apprentice Training."

Mr. Ted R. Lurie, Managing Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*, will address the Haifa Rotary Club on "*The Jerusalem Post* — 25 Years," at the Appinger Hotel at 1.15 p.m. today.

*BIRTH*

NEEMAN — To Hadassah and Zvi Neeman, of the Israel Mission to the United Nations in New York, on December 27, 1957 — a son, Jonah Menahem.

### Ben-Yehuda's Birth Centenary Marked

The monthly meeting of members of the World Hebrew Union held in Jerusalem on January 12 was devoted to the centenary of the birth of Eliezer Ben-Yehuda.

Mr. Avraham Elmaleh and Mr. Yitzhak Abbadi gave personal recollections of the life and works of the reviver of the Hebrew language.

Members of the Ben-Yehuda family were present at the meeting.

### MEAT, RICE PRICES SOAR IN OLD CITY

Meat prices have soared in the Old City bazaars, chiefly as a result of a ban by some Arab countries on meat exports to Jordan, "El Jihad," the Old City daily, reported on Monday.

The price of rice has also risen owing to Egypt's ban on the export of rice to Jordan, it added.

**SOME 5,000 WORKERS** are being employed in afforestation during the current planting season, the Jewish National Fund has announced. Of that number, some 1,000 are permanently engaged in this work.

## Cinemas

**JERUSALEM**
at 3.30, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: My Man Godfrey.
EDEN: Designing Woman.
OR GIL: Satchmo the Great.
ORION: Razzia Sur La Chnouf.
ORNA: Boy on a Dolphin.
RON: Salamani El-Habayeb.
SEMADAR: Stars of Russian Ballet.
ZION HALL: The Vagabond King.
TEL OR: Pony Express.
EDISON: Mademoiselle de Paris.
STUDIO: The Seven Year Itch.

**TEL AVIV**
At 3.30 and 7.15 only.

ALLENBY: Esther Costello.
ARMON DAVID: Pyjama Game.
CHEN: Love in the Afternoon.
EDEN: The Last Lie.
ESTHER: Lust for Life.
MAXIM: Les Sorcieres de Salem.
MIGDALOR: It's Great To Be Young.
MOGRABI: Desk Set.
OPHIR: The Last Time I Saw Paris.
ORION: Sissi.
PEER: The Wedding Party.
SHDEROT: The Rose Tattoo.
TAMAR: Club de Femmes.
TCHELET: Ihr Leibhusar.
TEL AVIV: A Hatful of Rain.
YARON: Jump Into Hell.
ZAMIR: Paris Canaille.
ZAFON: A King in New York.

**HAIFA**

ORION: Man of A Thousand Faces.
ATZMON: The Opposite Sex.
MORIAH: Sincerely Yours.
PEER: Hollywood or Bust.
ARMON: The Ballet of Romeo and Juliet.
EN DOR: Sitting Bull.
ORLY: Papa, Maman, Ma Femme et Moi.
AMPHITHEATRE: Island in the Sun.
ORAH: Jeanne Eagels.
GAL OR: Men In War. Mats.: African Queen.
MAY: The Man Who Knew Too Much.

## 'Envoy for Mars and Venus' Asks Dag for Seat at U.N.

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter).—George King, 38-year-old "Ambassador for Mars and Venus on Earth," has written to U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold demanding a seat at the United Nations Organization.

Mr. King, a London doorman, claimed in his letter that he has been accepted by the Martians and Venusians as their "primary terrestrial mental channel." He feels "in all humility," that he is entitled to be liaison officer at the U.N. between Earth and "interplanetary intelligences."

In his weekend letter to Mr. Hammarskjold, he said that during the past three years he had received about 300 telegraphic transmissions from these "intelligences."

Mr. King, a bachelor, runs a non-fictional bimonthly magazine called "Cosmic Voice" which presents "momentous transmissions from the planets."

He declares that three months ago the high-ranking authorities on Mars contacted him at a public meeting in London and warned him telepathically that earthmen would not be allowed to land on any other planet in the solar system until they changed their motives. The Martians, reporting from "Mars, sector six," said their warning had been fully agreed by "The Supreme Tribunal of Saturn."

Mr. King said today that the Earth was planning an invasion of the Moon, and later perhaps of Mars and Venus. Yet no official attempt had been made to ask the permission and advice of the Martians or Venusians, who use the moon as a base. "Such a militant attitude on the part of world governments is disgraceful and destined to end in failure," Mr. King said flatly.

### Moscow Warns of 'Mad' U.S. H-Bomber Pilots

LONDON, Tuesday (UP). — Moscow Radio warned Sunday that if the pilot of a U.S. H-bomber flying over Western Europe went mad he could bring "disastrous consequences" to the world.

The broadcast, quoting a Russian psychiatrist, said, "Mental disorder sometimes begins without any advance indications." War psychosis might precipitate such disorders, he said.

The broadcast said that "catastrophe can only be avoided by the banning of flights by aircraft having atomic and hydrogen bombs on board."

### 'President' Swim Pool Owner Fined IL100

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The manager of the President Hotel, Mr. Haim Schiff, was recently fined IL100 in the Jerusalem Municipal Court for operating the hotel's swimming pool without a valid licence and for maintaining its waters in an unsanitary condition.

Both offences were committed on Sunday, September 1, 1957. During a visit by inspectors on that day, 12 persons wearing swim suits were found in or near the pool.

Magistrate M. Murciano rejected Mr. Schiff's contention that they were swimming pool personnel who happened to be wearing swim suits. On this count, operating the pool without a licence, Mr. Schiff was fined IL20 with the alternative of two days in prison.

(In the judgment it is noted that the licence had been temporarily withheld until the police could be assured that articles left in the dressing rooms would not be stolen.)

On the second count, unhygienic conditions in the pool, the Court rejected the defendant's contention that it was impossible to change the water before noon on Sunday morning. Mr. Schiff said that on the preceding day, Saturday, the pool had been filled beyond its capacity. The water could not be changed since operating the pumping installations at night would have disturbed the hotel's guests.

For the second offence, Mr. Schiff was fined IL80 with the alternative of eight days in prison.

Mr. Schiff was also asked to take adequate precautions to prevent bathers from slipping on the pool's steps.

**4,400 NEEDY** families are now receiving a bottle of milk a day at the cost of 50 pruta per bottle, the Ministry of Social Welfare has announced.

## Mid-East Exports Treble in 18 Years

NEW YORK, Tuesday (Reuter). — The volume of exported goods from Middle East countries was almost trebled between the years 1938 and 1956, according to the United Nations Year Book of International Trade Statistics for 1956 published today.

It was revealed that Iraq was one of the countries which increased its trade enormously during this period. In 1938, Iraq's imports were valued at less than $10m. while her exports amounted to $2.5m.

During 1956 the respective values of her imports and exports were $113.4m. and $169.8m. The import figures were the highest ever recorded by Iraq.

Egypt was another country whose share of world trade expanded considerably and during 1956 her imports totalled $186m. and her exports $142m. Corresponding figures for 1938 were $36.8m. and $29.4m.

World trade in 1956 was nearly double the 1938 figure, according to the Year Book. It shows that since World War Two the U.S. has superseded the U.K. as the greatest trading country.

It also shows a decline in trade between Western and Eastern Europe despite the fact that the value of exports to Eastern Europe by the U.K. and West Germany has moved steadily upwards.

### Hungarian Jews Ratify WJC Link

LONDON, Tuesday (INA). — An agreement for the affiliation of the Central Board of Hungarian Jews with the World Jewish Congress was unanimously ratified at a meeting of the Central Board in Budapest on Monday, the W.J.C. announced here yesterday.

The decision constitutes the first agreement with a representative Jewish body in Eastern Europe to re-establish formal relations with the W.J.C. since 1949 when these Jewish communities were cut off from the W.J.C.

### Poland to Reduce Jobs in Industry

WARSAW, Tuesday (Reuter). — Poland is to put the brakes on the increase of employment in production and particularly in heavy industry in 1958, Deputy Premier Piotr Jaroszewic stated yesterday.

Mr. Jaroszewicz, addressing the third National Congress of the Metallurgical Workers Trade Union, said industrial employment would be cut because of enormous overemployment in a number of industries, and of not enough persons working in branches of the economy such as agriculture, commerce, social services, and hospitals.

He said steel production was 50,000 tons short of the 1957 target. Absenteeism rose by over 20 per cent compared with 1955. In the Government's opinion, that was the main problem facing the industry this year.

### WORLD GATHERING OF JEWISH STUDENTS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A world gathering of Jewish students will be held at the Hebrew University campus in August on the occasion of the Tenth Anniversary year, it is learned.

This will be the 12th congress of the World Association of Jewish Students, an association of 250,000 students in countries of the free world.

Sixty delegates from abroad and scores of Israel students are expected to participate.

## AT THE CINEMA

THE demands of both ballet and cinema had to be satisfied in filming the Bolshoi Theatre's "Romeo and Juliet" ballet (Armon, Haifa). Cinema are the colour, crowds, historical detail and continuous action to the measures of Prokofieff's music. The ballet takes dramatic form in the excellent miming; these Russians not only dance, they act. So intense is the spectacle that, apart from the set items of the male *corps de ballet*, it is necessary to reach quieter spheres in order to appreciate the actual dancing.

And then — Ulanova, a figure of Botticellian ethereality (compare her make-up with the "Primavera") almost floating through the air in the faultless ease of her point work and the steadiness of her arabesques, the complete synchronization of every limb. One thing only: she so concentrates on light-hearted youth that one would have liked to have seen her in a more complicated role. Still, beside her the other ballerinas seem heavy. It was not fair to Romeo (Zhdanov), although the best male performance is that of Mercutio. Whether you want entertainment or art, I recommend "Romeo and Juliet." *H.*

**Lots of Love and Charm**

"LOVE in the Afternoon" (Chen, T.A.) is based on Claude Anet's novel of some 30 years ago, "Ariane," with the scene moved from Moscow to Paris and the period translated to the present. It is a delightful frolic, alternately amusing and sentimental, although in Billy Wilder's production it is somewhat too drawn out.

Enchanting Audrey Hepburn is Ariane, a teenager who adopts the pose of an experienced woman of the world so as to snare wealthy, middle-aged Mr. Flanagan (Gary Cooper) who is notorious for his erotic escapades. She knows all about the gentleman since her detective father (Maurice Chevalier) has the annual springtime job of trailing Mr. Flanagan on behalf of worried husbands.

After a lot of love in the afternoon, the closing scene indicates that marriage is in the offing. A very thin Audrey is just what one imagines Ariane to be; Gary Cooper is not too credible as a Don Juan, but Maurice Chevalier shows that he can endow a straight role with lots of charm.

**Lots of Love and Brain**

"DESK Set" (held over at the Mograbi, Tel Aviv) is a fairly amusing piece of nonsense about what happens when an electronic brain is installed in an office and the girls think they are going to lose their jobs. The main parts are carried by Katherine Hepburn and a grandfather-like Spencer Tracy, and in this case it is love at eventide.

**Early Guinness**

"THE Man in the White Suit" (Dan Cinema, Tel Aviv) is an old film, one of the first in which Alec Guinness starred but nonetheless good for that. Guinness plays the part of a chemist who invents a formula for a material that will not soil and will not wear out and in Lancashire that must spell trouble. It is all most amusing and Guinness, with his shy smile and the mad, dedicated look in his eyes, is perfect in his role. Unfortunately, the cinema hall is so unpleasant that almost any film loses by being shown there but the picture is nonetheless well worth seeing. *S.W.*

**PRESS.** — The Communist "Daily Worker" suspended publication with yesterday's issue in New York, because of financial difficulties, but a front-page banner headline said, "We'll be back! Fighting for Peace, Democracy and Socialism."

## ON THE AIR

**FIRST PROGRAMME**
322, 249, 33.3 & 41.7 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.35, 7.00 & 7.55 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00 9.00, 11.00 p.m.

English: 1.45 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

6.30 Religious Service (R.) 6.37 Callisthenics. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 8.00 Close Down.

12.00 Lunchtime Music — Soloist Marjeda (Vocalist). 12.30 "Housewives' Corner" — Requests. 2.15 Close Down.

4.30 News in English, Swedish and Spanish. 5.05 Oriental Tunes. 5.30 "Youth Corner." 6.00 "We Present Tonight." 6.05 Popular Songs & Tunes. 6.30 Hebrew Language Corner. 6.45 Hebrew Songs. 7.15 "Los Panchos" Trio 7.30 Programme on the Histadrut Activities. 7.50 Cantoral Requests. 8.15 "Daily Hebrew." 8.20 "Portrait of a Jewish Actor." 8.55 Bible Reading: Psalms, Chaps. 24 & 25. 9.15 "Newsreel." 9.30 Sonata No. 1 in G-minor for Unaccompanied Violin; Sonata No. 2 in D for Viola da-Gamba & Harpsichord; (J.S. Bach). 10.00 "Trap" 10.30 A Record & its Story. 11.10 Close Down.

**SECOND PROGRAMME**
422, 460, 292.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR, 6.00 "We Present Tonight." 6.05 Mishna Lesson.

7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Rumanian. 8.15 Hungarian. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Interval. 9.15 Mograbit. 9.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 9.45 Polish. 10.00 News in English. 10.15 Close Down.

**ARABIC PROGRAMME**
407 & 41.07 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 7.00—7.45 a.m. 2.15—3.15 and 7.20—9.45 p.m.

**KOL ZION LAGOLA** (33.2 M.): Programme to South Africa: 6.30 News and Commentary by M. Pearlman. 6.50 "Editorial Opinion." 7.00 "Kol Yerushalayim"—Hebrew Lesson by Judah Shuval. 7.15 Yiddish.

**Programme to U.K.:** 11.30 News & Commentary. 11.50 "Editorial Opinion." Midnight: Easy Hebrew Conversation.

**ARMY PROGRAMME** (48.4, 215, 225 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Request Favourites. 7.00 News. 7.10 Battle Story. 7.30 Zahal Band. 8.00 "Among the Flags." 8.30 "Limelight." 9.00 News. 9.15 "Two Goals." 9.45 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

**B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS** (23.80, 16.84 & 24.80 M.): 7.15—7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. "Matters of Jewish Interest."

### New Stamp

A London artist, Abram Games, has designed the stamp to be issued Monday week to mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Maccabiah Games. The hammer-thrower was chosen as the central feature of the design because of the association with the name of Judas Maccabeus, "the hammer of the Greeks," and because of the comparative unfamiliarity of the sport.

Among other stamps designed by Mr. Games have been one value of the British 1948 Olympic Games series, the 4d. Festival of Britain stamp and three recent Israel issues.

### Juvenile Delinquency Rising, Report Shows

Juvenile delinquency increased last year as compared to 1956, according to provisional figures of the Ministry of Social Welfare announced yesterday.

A monthly average of some 267 delinquents were brought before the courts last year as compared to a monthly average of some 220 the year before.

The picture is similar among minority groups, with 56 delinquents brought monthly before the courts last year as compared to a monthly average of 48 the year before.

A decrease occurred, however, in the number of technical violations among youth of the minority groups (mainly leaving a restricted area without a permit), with a monthly average of 38 of these offences last year as compared to 42 the year before.

The Ministry announced that three probation officers have been added to the Youth Probation Service, one to serve among minority groups in the Little Triangle and two in the North. This brings to 35 the number of probation officers in the country. They deal with boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 16 who have been charged with an offence and placed under supervision.

### Sarah Churchill Up For Drunkenness

LOS ANGELES, Tuesday (Reuter).—Miss Sarah Churchill, 43-year-old actress, daughter of Sir Winston Churchill, is today appearing in a television programme while awaiting the hearing of a drunkenness charge.

She was to have appeared today at Malibu Municipal Court, near here, but last night her lawyer announced that her court appearance had been postponed until Thursday.

Miss Churchill was arrested at her home by a police patrol, following complaints from a male telephone operator. After being held for eight hours she was released on $50 bail.

## Where to go

• **Meet the Israeli:**— Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

**JERUSALEM**

• **Zoo:** — Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8.30-5.

• **Exhibitions:**— 1) Permanent Exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. 2) Ancient Pottery from various civilizations, from the museum's collections. 3) A preview of Primitive Sculpture. 4) Graphic Exhibition: Artists' portraits and self-portraits. 5) Old Master Drawings. 6) Paintings by Avraham Ofek, Bezalel, 9-1, 2.30-5.

Permanent Exhibition of Antiquities. Recent finds: marble Statue of Nemesis. Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech 9-1, 3-5.

Bible subject pastels by Abel Pann, Italian Art Books, reproductions of choice Italian Classical and original Modern Paintings. Artists House, 10-1, 4-6.

• **Film Shows:**— Israel films daily 18.30, Keren Hayesod Hall.

• **Tours:**— Hebrew University Conducted Tour (in English), daily 10 a.m. Administration Bldg., New University Campus. Every Tuesday leaving Administration Bldg. 11 a.m. a visit to Hebrew University Hadassah Medical School in New Medical Centre, Ein Karem. Phone (until Monday) 62982 for bookings.

Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting at 9 a.m. Book for this free tour by phoning 4061, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

• **Libraries:** — Bezalel Museum, Sunday and Monday, 9-1; Tuesday and Thursday, 3-5.

• **Film Evening:** — The Sinai Campaign, Beit Ha'am, 7.30 p.m. Entrance free.

**TEL AVIV**

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• **Tourist Services:** — Visit Hadassah Club, 30 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 23239. Z.O.A. House, 9-9.

• **Exhibitions:** — New Immigrant Artists. Art Pavilion, 9 Alharizi, 10-1, 4-7.

Classical paintings from the Sonnenfeld Art Collection. Z.O.A. House, 10-1, 4-9.

Paintings by Yehoshua Kovarsky. Rembrandt documentary exhibition, Museum, 10-1, 4-7.

• **Symposium:** — "Do we need a State Constitution" (Hebrew), Z.O.A. House, 8.30

• **Play-reading:**— "The Long Journey Into Night" (English), Z.O.A. House, 8.30.

• **Theatre:**— Cameri, "The Shoemaker's Wife," 8. "Romeo and Juliet," New Hall, 8. Ohel, "The Wooden Bowl," 8.

**HAIFA**

Visit Hadassah Club, 17 Jerusalem Street Tel. 4876.

• **Exhibition:** — "New Horizons." Fortnightly exhibit: Drawing by Aviva Uri, Municipal Museum, Town Hall, 10-1, 4-7.

**KIRYAT HAIM**

Habimah "The Egg."


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## VISITORS' GALLERY

## Preacher of Revolution

By MOSHE LEVIN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The time for revolution in South America has not yet ended, according to one of South America's most renowned historians, Prof. Luis Alberto Sanchez.

"Revolution is still needed in Venezuela, Cuba, San Domingo and Nicaragua," the 57-year-old intellectual and litterateur said in an interview in Jerusalem. He has been in Israel with his wife for 10 days — his first visit to this part of the world — as the guest of the Israeli-Ibero American Institute.

Prof. Sanchez, who is a Peruvian, can be regarded as the theoretician of the leftist, anti-Communist Aprista Party. Its leader, Haya de la Torre, who after years in exile and in prison is back again in Peru, is regarded by liberals like Prof. Sanchez as the man who can bring unity and true democracy to Latin America.

Dr. Sanchez himself has spent periods of exile in Chile during the dictatorial regimes in his own country. In South American literature he says that dictatorships have had much more influence than the Church.

"The people are much more afraid of the punishment of dictators than of the punishment in the hereafter. It is more real to them," he said.

"In Russia the people have bread but no freedom. In Latin America the people may have freedom but they have no bread. We must have political and economic freedom. The Apristas helped put the present Government of Peru in power, but while we were obligated to vote — and this is a good thing — we could not elect our own people. Peru today is a plutocracy, but it is better than a military clique."

The distinguished historian's "Historia de America," a two-volume work, is now in its sixth printing. He has been President of San Marcos University in Lima, the oldest university in the western hemisphere, dating back to 1551. He has served as the President of the Chamber of Deputies, the head of the Peruvian delegation at the UNESCO Conference in Paris in 1946, and has been a visiting professor at the most outstanding universities in the Americas and Europe.

His next stop is Beirut where he will meet with the representative of the Congress for Cultural Freedom, of which Prof. Sanchez is a member of the Executive Committee. He will then attend the Executive Committee's conference in Paris on Saturday where a discussion will take place on whether the Congress should consider itself anti-Communist or anti-dictatorial.

On Israel, Prof. Sanchez said that he was impressed by the complete freedom of religion and complete tolerance.

Peru can import Israel's religious and racial tolerance, said Prof. Sanchez, as well as her system of cooperative living.

Prof. Sanchez's articles appear in newspapers in Colombia, Peru, Uruguay. "I have always considered carbon paper one of the most marvellous inventions of the century," he smiled.

### Vatican Resumes Its 'Jerusalem Campaign'

ROME, Tuesday (INA). — The Vatican yesterday resumed its campaign for the internationalization of Jerusalem and the Holy Places in Palestine "Osservatore Romano," the Vatican newspaper, prominently displayed a statement by Dr. Gaspare Ambrosini, well-known Italian jurist, that the world was disregarding Christian interest in the Holy Places while it concentrated its attention on the Arab-Israel conflict. He asserted that even the U.N. advocacy of internationalization of Jerusalem had been ignored.

### Bumper Fruit Crop Expected This Year

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The settlement of immigrants in the Judean and Galilee hills has turned these districts into fruit-growing country, the Jewish Agency spokesman said today, adding that bumper crops of apples, plums, peaches and table grapes are expected this year.

Fifty villages in the hill regions are expected to market 3,000 tons of these fruits, compared with 800 tons last year.

Hamashbir la'Oleh is to market the produce and the villagers will be paid daily according to current market prices.

### PEANUT EXPORTS

Peanut exports in the period October-December, 1957, totalled 2,000 tons, it was announced on Monday in Jerusalem by the spokesman for the Ministry of Agriculture.

He said that of this total, 500 tons had gone to Switzerland and it was hoped that that country would buy another 400 tons during the current export season. Eastern European countries had taken 300 tons.

The Peanut Marketing Board has already received orders from abroad for an additional 1,500 tons, the spokesman added.

### Peking Authorities Execute Ex-General

TOKYO, Tuesday (UP). — Chinese authorities have executed a former major-general who was responsible for the arrest and hanging of one of the earlier founders of the Chinese Communist Party, the New China News Agency reported today.

The agency said that Wang Cheng, a former major-general and commander of the Peking garrison troops, was executed in Shenyang for being "personally responsible for the arrest and hanging of Li Ta-chao in April, 1927. It said that Wang had remained in hiding for more than 20 years in Shenyang before he was identified and arrested in 1955.

### SAUDIA-LIBYA

Libya and Saudi Arabia have raised their diplomatic representations to the level of embassies, the Arab News Agency stated Monday night.

### EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

**JERUSALEM:** Ora, 25 King George, 3043. Deutch, Rehov Mea Shearim, 4963.
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### Tel Aviv Stock Market

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| Pop. Loan 1949/69 (IL10) | 100½ |
| 6% Comp. Loan 56/67 | 78¾ |
| 5½% Comp. Loan | 63¼ |
| 5½% War Loan 54/59 | 95 |
| Pal. Bearer Bds. Ser. 3 | 96¾ |
| 3½% Tavei Dollar x) | 84¾ |
| 6% Reg. Sterling "A" | 90¼ |
| Def. Loan Bonds 6½% f) | 98¼ |
| 6½% Def. Bonds f) | 97¾ |
| 6½% Def. Bonds g) | 99¾ |
| 6½% Loc. C. Debs. f) | 97¾ |
| 6½% Loc. C. Debs. g) | 97¾ |
| Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.) | 209 |
| 6½% Bonds 58/68 f) | 101 |
| ditto g) | 107¾ |
| Keren Hayesod | |
| 6½% Deb. 58/63 f) | 97¾ |
| ditto g) | 100¾ |
| Igreth Ltd. | |
| 6½% Deb. 58/63 f) | 99¾ |
| Rassco 6½% Deb. 58/69 | |
| Class "A" f) | 98 |
| Class "B" g) | 104½ |
| Bk. Leumi ord. sh. | 142½ |
| Bearer Savings Cert. '59 | 91¾ |
| A.P.B. Investment | |
| 4½-6% Con. Deb. | 75 |
| Ord. sh. "B" reg. | 106½ |
| Gazit ord. sh. "B" reg. | — |
| Ellern's Inv. ord. | 153 |
| Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh. | 78¾ |
| Bizur 6% debs. 56/65 | 86 |
| Nir 5% pref. sh. | 89 |
| Pass 6% debs. 40/64 reg. | 86 |
| "Inva" 8% debs. | 76 |
| Afr. Pal Inv. ord. sh. | 64 |
| I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg. | 81 |
| 5% debs. | 81½ |
| Rassco 6% pref. ord. sh. | 86 |
| Ata ord. "B" sh. | 81 |
| 6-8% con. debs. | 80½ |
| "Kurdaneh" ord. "B" | 82¾ |
| 7% con. debs. 59/68 | 75 |
| Meller ord. sh. reg. | 1150 |
| Pal. Brewery 8% cum. debs. | 80½ |
| Assis Bajarano "B" sh. | 75 |
| Nesher 6% debs. "A" 55/64 | 115 |
| Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh. | 58 |
| "Tova" ord. sh. | 82 |
| Pal. Cold St. ord. sh. reg. | 119½ |
| Delek ord. sh. "C" | 86½ |
| Pal. Centr. 5% reg. | 98½ |
| Mekorot pref. sh. | 70¾ |
| Jordan Exploration Co. | |
| Ord. sh. reg. | 74 |

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### The Weather

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### DEPARTURES

Mr. David Beit-Arieh, Member of the Jewish Agency Executive, for Teheran on a visit to Jewish communities in Oriental countries.

Mr. David Federman, an Attaché at the Cuban Legation in Israel, to represent his Government at the U.N. Economic Committee meetings in Geneva (by B.E.A.).

**2,104 IMMIGRANTS** arrived in Israel during the month of December, 1957. In the same period 2,686 residents returned and 1,904 tourists entered the country, the Ministry of Interior has announced. A total of 2,799 residents left the country during the month, 614 of them permanently.

### TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

*The Struggle for Independence*

*January 15, 1948*

The most crushing Arab defeat to date was dealt to about 800 Arab attackers by the defenders of the four settlements in the Kfar Etzion bloc on the Jerusalem-Hebron road. The Hagana report over 200 Arab dead and wounded. Jewish casualties were three dead and nine wounded.

*The Palestine Government has recommended that Britain surrender the Mandate six weeks earlier than the planned date of May 15.*

### GHANAIANS LEAVE

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — Mr. S. Riberio Ayeh, the Director-General of the Ghana Ministry of Commerce, left here this morning by B.O.A.C. for London following a ten-day visit which ended in the initialling yesterday of a trade agreement between the two countries. He was accompanied by Mr. Edmund De Unger, Legal Advisor to the Ministry.

Mr. Ehud Avriel, Israel Ambassador to Ghana and Liberia, left on the same plane. *(Itim.)*

### 14-Day-Old Infant Dies of Uremia

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — A 14-day-old infant died yesterday of uremia when his mother wound a bandage too tightly about his circumcision incision.

The infant, Vita Jan, of Kfar Shalem, was brought on Sunday in a serious condition to the Hadassah Hospital in Tel Aviv. *(Itim.)*

### M. Lipson, Veteran Writer, Dies at 74

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV Tuesday. — Mordechai Lipson, first Editor of the "Hatzofe" daily and founder of "Hadoar," the New York Hebrew weekly, died here today at the age of 72 after a prolonged illness.

The funeral will leave from Hadassah Hospital at 9.15 a.m. tomorrow.

He came to this country from the U.S. in 1930.

After editing "Hatzofe" from 1938 to 1944, Lipson engaged in translating Opatoshu's works from Yiddish into Hebrew. He also compiled the sayings of Hamagid of Dubnov and "The Treasury of Jewish Wit." For some time he edited the Knesset protocol.

He is survived by a sister.

# First Oil Signs Found in North

Jerusalem Post Reporter

**TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The first signs of an oil deposit in northern Israel have been found in the Deborah I well, west of Mt. Tabor. The well is being drilled by the Israel Continental Oil Company.**

The oil was contained in fractures of a core of compact limestone of the Jurassic period taken at a depth of 2,550 ft. The analysis — made by the Geological Institute in Jerusalem — has confirmed the presence of oil.

Drilling is continuing to establish whether commercial quantities are to be found.

This is the sixth deep test hole drilled by Israel Continental. Earlier wells were drilled on the Carmel, at Kurdanah, Caesaria, in the Negev and in the Jordan Valley — all dry. It now operates three drilling rigs.

## Extra Development Budget Presented

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Finance Minister Levi Eshkol last night presented to the Knesset for its first reading the IL80m. supplementary development budget for the 1957/58 fiscal year. The debate is to be held next week.

Included in the receipts side of the budget are: counterpart fund (food surpluses) IL16m.; counterpart fund (foreign loans) IL30.7m.; National Insurance Institute loan, IL8m.; special housing loan, IL25m.

The expenditure side shows IL31.5m. for immigrant housing; an additional IL8m. participation in the Timna Copper Works; IL15.6m. for loans to industry; and IL10.6m. for electricity.

The Knesset yesterday passed the IL74.8m. ordinary supplementary budget for 1957/58. The bill was supported by the Coalition parties and was opposed by Herut, the General Zionists and the Communists. All the minority amendments proposed by these three parties were defeated.

## Soldiers' Pensions Made Equal to Civil Servants'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The pension rights of Regular Army personnel are liberalized by being brought into line with those of civil servants, in an amendment to the Regular Army Pensions Law which unanimously passed its second and third readings in the Knesset yesterday.

The amendment also provides that a soldier may retire on pension after 25 years of Regular Army service. However, in cases in which the soldier is under 50 at the time of retirement, the approval of the Chief-of-Staff is needed if payment of the pension is to begin at once. Otherwise, payment will begin when the soldier reaches the age of 50.

In accordance with the Civil Servants Pension Law (which was passed after the original Army Pension Law) the amendment provides that a soldier may be pensioned for disability after five years of regular service, instead of ten years as at present. Similarly, the maximum pension will be 70 per cent instead of two-thirds of the determining pay.

## KNESSET BASIC LAW TABLED

The Basic Law on the Knesset was tabled for its second and third readings yesterday. The bill passed its first reading on October 9, 1956, with Mapai abstaining because of the provision for elections by proportional representation.

The Law Committee, which dealt with the bill, retained that provision, although a minority amendment has been entered by Mr. B. Azanya (Mapai) providing for majority constituency elections.

On the other hand, Mr. N. Nir (Ahdut Ha'avoda), Mr. J. Shofman (Herut) and Dr. M. Sneh (Communist) have entered an amendment providing that the clause dealing with elections may not be changed except by a three-fourths majority.

The bill will form part of the State Constitution.

**CRASH.** — A giant U.S. Navy Super Constellation crashed and burned yesterday while attempting a landing at a naval air station in Maryland. All nine men aboard were killed.

# Licences for Diplomaless Dental Practitioners Opposed

A call to the Minister of Health to prevent the licensing of dental practitioners lacking medical qualifications was issued by the Medical Advisory Board, meeting at Beit Harofeh, in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Council had been discussing the bill to liberalise the regulations pertaining to dental practitioners (as distinct from dentists) which Mr. M. Erem (Ahdut Ha'avoda) had introduced into the Knesset as a private member's bill.

The draft was referred to the Services Committee after the first reading in November. The Minister of Health, Mr. Israel Barzilai, abstained in the vote on the first reading.

### Exams in 1952/53

Dr. M. Mayer, Superintendent of Medical Professions at the Ministry of Health, told the Council that provision had previously been made to absorb dentists and dental practitioners among the new immigrants by amendments which required them to pass professional examinations. The immigrants were required to take the examination in the 12 month period following the passage of the amendment on March 8, 1952. Those immigrants who arrived after that date were to take the examination within 12 months of their arrival in the country, but not later than March 8, 1954.

Of the 675 applications received, 350 licences had been issued, Dr. Mayer said.

### Many Recent Arrivals

A large number of undiplomaed dental practitioners had recently arrived from Poland and Hungary. In addition some 70 applications for licences had been filed since March 1954 by immigrants who had come to the country prior to March 1952, Dr. Mayer pointed out.

The Minister of Health had objected to the applications made by the latter on the grounds that if they had not qualified under the earlier law there is no reason why they should be accepted now.

Mr. M. Erem, M.K., Chairman of the Knesset Public Services Committee, urged the Council to take into consideration that these people have no other source of income. Practitioners should be permitted to take the examinations, and if they failed, to take them again.

Dr. Ben-Zion Harel, M.K., also a member of the Services Committee, told the meeting that a Committee majority opposed the amendment because it endangered professional standards.

Only two members of the Council recommended the acceptance of the amendment and suggested that it remain in force until 1960. *(Itim.)*

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## 2 TO 3 POINT DROP IN INDEX SEEN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A drop of between two and three points in the Cost-of-Living Index for December is estimated by Finance Ministry economists. As a result there will be no rise in the C-o-L allowance payable for the June-December period, it was reliably learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Index figures for December will be made public today by the Central Bureau of Statistics.

A rise of nine points in the June to November period has already been recorded, and unless a 1.5 point drop occurred in December, a rise in the C-o-L allowance would be automatic.

## El Yam Lays Up Freighter Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The El Yam Shipping Co. has laid up its 10,700-ton freighter Tel Aviv and transferred most of her crew to other ships, where they are filling vacancies due to retirement and illness.

Freight rates have fallen so sharply that it has become unprofitable to keep the Tel Aviv under steam, an El Yam representative stated. He added, however, that the company expects to put her back into service in a month or two.

The vessel has been engaged recently in carrying grain from the U.S. to Israel and American coal to Europe.

All the other El Yam ships, fast, modern bulk carriers, are signed up under long-term contracts and are unaffected by the present slump in freight rates.

## Sabbath Work Will Raise Paper Output

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The agreement with the Rabbinate on Sabbath work at the Hadera Paper Mills will actually result in an increase in production of over 2,000 tons of paper a year, the spokesman of the Mills told *The Jerusalem Post* tonight.

He said that the new arrangement, namely the tending of the machines by non-Jewish labour under the supervision of members of the company's staff, means that the almost completely automatic manufacturing process will now operate on an uninterrupted "seven day basis."

The agreement which emerged will make possible a 15 per cent increase in the overall production of paper and an additional saving of about $150,000 of foreign currency to the State. It will also be possible for the Mills to provide another 10,000 man hours of general labour per year, the spokesman concluded.

## New Legal Council Meets Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The enlarged Legal Council is meeting in Jerusalem today under the chairmanship of the Attorney-General, Mr. Haim Cohn.

The Council, which holds its meetings *in camera*, was recently increased from 32 members to 40, and then to 51. The last two members appointed by Minister of Justice Pinhas Rosen were Mr. Naftali Lipschitz, of Haifa, and Mr. Mordecai Levanon, of Jerusalem.

It is learned that the primary reason for augmenting the Council was to facilitate supervision of the "professional ethics" of the 1,500 lawyers engaged in private practice. During 1957, for example, the Council studied complaints of unethical behaviour against 100 lawyers. The complaints were found to be justified in 20 cases.

### Revoked 7 Licences

Although the Council contented itself with issuing reprimands in the majority of cases, it found seven offences sufficiently grave to warrant revoking the licences of the lawyers. One licence was revoked permanently, two others for five years and the others for shorter periods.

The membership of the Council includes five judges, plus the Dean of the Hebrew University Law Faculty, a representative of the Army Court, the Director-General of the Ministry of Justice, and the Attorney General.

The other members are lawyers, 30 of whom are recommended for appointment to the Minister of Justice by the Bar Association. As a rule, these 30 are selected according to a party key.

The new Council will sit for three years. During its last three-year term, it held 50 sessions.

## Ticket Speculator Fined IL40

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — A sports coach was fined IL40 by Tel Aviv magistrate Y. Steinberg today for overcharging on the sale of a ticket for tomorrow's Israel-Wales football match.

The coach, Shlomo Kluznick, of Givatayim, sold a IL4 ticket for IL8. In any case, he was not licensed to sell tickets, the court found.

At the time of arrest, 46 tickets were found in his possession. *(Itim.)*

## Kastner Libel Appeal Judgment Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The reading of the Supreme Court judgment in the Kastner-Greenwald libel case appeal is to begin at 8.30 this morning in the Court hall in the Russian Compound, Jerusalem.

Special arrangements have been made for admission since the hall can seat only about 100 persons.

Three days have been scheduled for the reading of the judgment. It deals with the appeal of Mr. Haim Cohn, the Attorney General, against the verdict handed down by Dr. Benjamin Halevi, President of the Jerusalem District Court.

Dr. Halevi, who was trying Mr. Malkiel Greenwald for libelling Dr. Israel Kastner (who has since been murdered), exonerated Mr. Greenwald on three of four charges. He found Mr. Greenwald guilty of the fourth charge and fined him IL1.

**THE ULPAN** for immigrant journalists will be officially opened today at 5.45 p.m. at Beit Sokolow, Tel Aviv. Speakers will include, the Minister of Labour, Mr. M. Namir, Mayor Haim Levanon, Mr. R. Barkatt, of the Histadrut Executive, and Mr. Dan Pines, Chairman of the Journalists Association.

***Booster Inoculation*** of Salk vaccine against poliomyelitis is shown being given to child here during current campaign in Jerusalem. Photo by Helwig

## Second Anti-Polio Station Opened in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Easing of the pressure on Jerusalem's Beit Harofeh inoculation station, where booster injections against poliomyelitis are being given, was noticed yesterday when a supplementary station was opened at the District Health Office in the Mahane Yehuda Quarter.

Nearly 500 children received their inoculations at Beit Harofeh and crowding was still in evidence early in the day. The easing occurred when parents there were informed that their youngsters could be dealt with more rapidly at the Mahane Yehuda station. There, about 250 children were processed. By noon there was no waiting in queue at the District Office.

District Health officials appealed to parents yesterday to take advantage of the Mahane Yehuda station which has a normal capacity of about 400, and better waiting facilities. It is open from 8.30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Because the two stations were in operation, more children were inoculated yesterday than on any previous day since the Health Ministry began the campaign to give the third Salk vaccine injection on January 1.

The auxiliary centre was opened yesterday following overcrowding and near-riots at the Beit Harofeh station. Both will remain open until the end of the month, and probably longer if all eligible children have not received their third shot by then.

## *For Whom The Bell Tolls*

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS Tuesday. — The bell from the church of the abandoned village of Mess el-Jabi, in Upper Galilee, will be transferred to Lebanon tomorrow.

The bell was left behind when the villagers deserted their homes and fled to Lebanon during the War of Liberation in 1948. Some time ago, the priest of Marjayoun, in the Lebanon, appealed to the Israel authorities, through the Mixed Armistice Commission, to have the bell shipped to the Lebanon.

Tomorrow it will be taken to Metulla and handed over to the Lebanese authorities.

## Jordan Complains Four Times to MAC

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jordan has registered four complaints with the Mixed Armistice Commission since Friday, three of them concerning Mt. Scopus. They did not ask for investigations or for emergency meetings of the M.A.C.

The Jordanians complained that Israel "resumed digging fortifications and trenches on Mt. Scopus" as well as of a shooting incident. They also said that three Israel soldiers had entered the zone around Government House on Sunday night.

## *Wholesale Cut In Tax Assessment*

**TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — A compromise agreement reducing an income tax assessment for 1953 and 1954 from IL450,000 to IL25,000 was submitted to Tel Aviv District Court Judge S. Lowenberg yesterday.**

**The agreement was reached between Mr. Dov Israelit, a Tel Aviv real estate agent, and the income tax authorities. The former has accordingly withdrawn an appeal against the original assessment.** *(Itim.)*

**MANSFIELD.** — The 24-year-old American actress, Jayne Mansfield, and the former "Mr. Universe," Hungarian-born Micky Hargitay, were married at Portuguese Bend, near Hollywood, on Monday night while thousands of teenagers watched the ceremony through the glass walls of the Church of New Jerusalem from nearby hillsides.

## Ratisbonne Murder Statements for Court

The Jerusalem District Court sitting in the trial of Shoshana Barazani decided yesterday to admit as evidence all but one of the statements she had made to the police, following her arrest on suspicion of the murder of Eliyahu Sinani, watchman at the Ratisbonne Monastery in Jerusalem. The court decided not to admit one of the statements which might have been made under police pressure.

Barazani had claimed that all the statements she had made to the police should not be accepted as evidence. The court found that only in one case was there a suspicion of police influence on her statement, following a talk she had with the head of the Jerusalem C.I.D., Mr. A. Shiloni, who agreed that he had promised she would not be transferred to the Ramle Prison and that her trial would be conducted *in camera* if she would give evidence.

The hearings are to continue on January 28. *(Itim.)*

## *Fine for Journalist Who 'Sold' Bride*

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday. — A local journalist, Mr. Baruch Kutani of "Yedioth Aharonoth," was fined IL25 today by a military court for entering a closed military area without a permit.

On November 5, 1957, Kutani pretended to "sell" Miss Ada Levy, of Tiberias, to Sheikh Ali Abu Greinad. Miss Levy was fined IL15 for her part in the escapade.

The Sheikh is also suing Kutani for IL3,500 damages for libel—allegedly contained in an article published in connection with the episode.

## Lawyer Gets 3 Months Jail for Forgery

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The Tel Aviv Lawyer Zalman Gurevitch was sentenced here today by Magistrate H. Bental to three months imprisonment for forging and uttering a document enabling a woman to leave the country with her son, a minor, without the consent of the father.

Gurevitch, acting on behalf of Mrs. Sonya Kornblueth, had forged the husband's authorization permitting his son to join his mother abroad.

The Judge postponed execution of the sentence pending Gurevitch's appeal. *(Itim.)*

## Dealers Warned On Vegetable Supplies

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem District Food Controller has warned fruit and vegetable distributors and wholesalers in the Capital that he would consider revoking trading licences if they do not make greater efforts to ensure adequate supplies, it was learned yesterday.

This emerged following a meeting yesterday between the Controller and the dealers to discuss the short supply of fruit and vegetables, especially citrus, reaching Jerusalem.

The shortage was attributed chiefly to the high cost of transportation to the Capital and the difficulty in disposing of surpluses. In other parts of the country, surpluses are directed to industry, for canning and other processing, but this is a costly operation from Jerusalem, it was pointed out.

The citrus shortage is also partly accounted for by the low percentage of second class fruit — reserved for home consumption — in this year's crop.

A number of suggestions aimed at improving the supply situation were raised during yesterday's meeting and a further exchange is to be held shortly.

## New Fibre Factory For Jerusalem

A synthetic fibres factory is to start production in Jerusalem next month, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. P. Sapir, was informed yesterday by a group of British investors in the project. The group was accompanied by Mr. Y. Zarchin, of the Aderet Company.

The new plant, which will provide work at first for 25 employees and will later be expanded to take on 60 workers, is being set up as a partnership of Aderet Co. and the three members of the British group, Messrs. N.B. Castle, W. Sussking, and T.H. Reitman.

## Motorized Toys Made in Safad

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD, Tuesday. — The Eshtam factory here has started production of battery-operated motors for mechanical toys.

The tiny products are to be exported all over the world and will also be marketed in Israel, where they are expected to cause a revolution in the toy trade.

The patented motors were designed by the Technion's technical high school in Haifa, and Eshtam has acquired exclusive manufacturing rights.

**MAYORS.** — New York Mayor Robert Wagner yesterday received Mr. Pinhas Rashish, Mayor of Petah Tikva, who is in the U.S. on a nation-wide tour under the auspices of the National Committee for Labour — Israel.

## A Slight Slip Of the Pen

Police have arrested Moshe Kadmi, 41, of Jerusalem, for allegedly making a small alteration in a cheque he cashed at the King George branch of the Bank Leumi in Jerusalem.

It is claimed that Kadmi changed a IL20 cheque payable to himself after the teller had initialled it for payment. By inserting the digit eight before the 20, he drew IL820, police charge. *(Itim.)*

## Beersheba Sees Full Employment

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday. — There will be no unemployment in Beersheba during the coming year and there may even be a labour shortage, the Mayor, Mr. David Tuviahu, told a special press conference here this evening.

During the coming year IL25m. will be spent on building 1,800 housing units and a number of public structures, including a teachers' seminar, a new high school, a trade school for girls, a central synagogue, various Government buildings, a new telephone exchange, and a new shopping centre.

Unskilled labour will be employed on the laying of the pipeline and the railway line to Dimona, Mr. Touviahu stated.

The Mayor went on to say that the Firestone tire factory has signed a contract for the establishment of a Beersheba plant with the Government and work will begin this year. There will also be a factory for the production of refractory bricks completed by the end of 1958.

The Kedma agricultural implements company, backed by Argentinian capital, will begin production in about eight months time. Harsa Ltd., the ceramic works, is to build a new kiln as well as a laboratory for ceramic research during the coming year, the Mayor said.

## Kiryat Motzkin Votes Progressive Chairman

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Tuesday.—Mr. Moah Aloni, the lone Progressive on the 11-man Kiryat Motzkin Local Council, was last night elected Chairman of the Council to succeed Mr. L. Grushkevitz, the veteran General Zionist chairman who was deposed last week.

Mr. Aloni was elected by the votes of himself, the three Mapai and two Mapam Councillors. Three General Zionists voted against, while the Religious representative abstained. Mr. Grushkevitz did not attend the session.

Until last week, the Council enjoyed a wall-to-wall coalition headed by Mr. Grushkevitz who had served as chairman for the past 16 years.

## *Cables in Brief*

**ARMS.** — A Neo-Fascist member of the Italian Parliament, Cesare Pozzo, was sentenced by a Rome court yesterday to one month's jail for possessing arms. He was tried after Parliament waived his parliamentary immunity.

**SACKED.** — Czech Communist leader Stefan Sebesta has been unexpectedly dismissed from his post as Deputy Premier of the Slovak Regional Government. Mr. Jan Stenel, a member of the Central Committee of the Party, was appointed in his place.

**LIBERAL.** — The Canadian Liberal Party, which lost last June's elections to the Conservatives, opened a three-day convention in Ottawa yesterday to choose a successor to its leader, ex-Premier Louis St. Laurent. Former External Affairs Minister, Mr. Lester Pearson, is top candidate for the leadership.

## 1st Soldiers Lottery Ticket to Mrs. Ben-Zvi

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The first ticket in the Soldiers' Welfare Committee's annual lottery was yesterday handed to Mrs. Rahel Ben-Zvi at Beit Hanasi in Jerusalem by Mr. Yosef Baratz, Chairman of the National Committee.

Mrs. Ben-Zvi gave a IL100 cheque to Mr. Baratz for 100 tickets, which she asked should be distributed as a gift among 100 soldiers. She also asked that the Committee increase its activities in new villages where the visits of soldiers had a beneficial influence on the children.

Mr. Baratz said that this year, due to the Tenth Anniversary celebrations, the Committee's work was of prime importance.

**The Committee planned to "ease the life of soldiers who had to travel from their homes to their bases at weekends" by erecting 65 passenger shelters to protect them from the weather.**

The first had already been erected in Tel Aviv and Haifa, and one was now going up in Holon. In addition, the Committee planned to improve the soldiers' restaurants, hostels, and extend its other welfare activities.

It had already acquired one building in Jerusalem (the former Vita pension), and was building another in Natanya.

This year's lottery will consist of one "national" lottery with 100 prizes including a Dodge and a Ford car. The tickets will be drawn on June 4 in Tel Aviv.

There will be four "regional" lotteries with another 100 prizes. A fifth "regional" lottery, with 300 prizes, will be open only to soldiers. These tickets will be drawn on May 14.

Each ticket costs IL1.

We wish to express our sincerest sympathy
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# U.S. 'Power Elite' Gets to Work

## Group to Make Up for 'Lack of Leadership'

By PHILIP DEANE

WASHINGTON (OFNS). — AMERICA'S so-called "power elite," the country's leading, enlightened big businessmen, are openly and systematically organizing themselves to provide the U.S. with leadership to face Russia's military and political challenge.

These men feel they cannot expect leadership from the President. Evidence being unearthed in the current Congressional investigations, they claim, shows that he has nearly always advised or adopted not the policies he would have liked, but those he believed Congress and the public wanted. He has followed rather than led.

Congress itself, the "power elite" thinks, will not of its own volition fill the leadership vacuum that Mr. Eisenhower leaves. The enlightened Senators do not occupy positions of influence on the important Legislative Committee; and the influential Senators are ill-informed or not able to grasp the significance of the new situation. Most of them cannot bring themselves to believe the U.S. has lost its invulnerability, and they cannot assess the consequences of lost invulnerability.

They concentrate, in this election year, on their traditional role of protecting the regional interests which elect them, and of furthering the interests of their area. For instance, Senator Mike Mansfield of Montana, a liberal, says he will not be able to support freer trade, because miners in his State are unemployed and want protection against foreign competition.

### Voter Pressures

In an election year, both Congress and the White House "palace guard" are extremely sensitive to such pressures from the voters. It is this very fact that the "power elite" is now trying to use, by shaping voter pressures so that these will be directed not only towards stronger military preparations, but also towards more flexible foreign policies; towards answering in kind Russia's offensive of trade and aid on favourable terms with no strings attached and no obligation to join alliances or subscribe to any doctrines.

This "organizing" of public opinion into irresistible support for enlightened policies is, conceivably, within the capabilities of the "power elite." The names of the leaders of this "elite" appear among the contributors to the Gaither Report, and a similar study, the Rockefeller Report, both of which describe the U.S. as in mortal danger, and as losing ground to Russia.

Most frequently mentioned, and most active publicly, of the elite are John J. McCloy, who runs the huge Chase Manhattan Bank, and was once U.S. High Commissioner in Germany; William C. Foster, President of the Ohio Matheson Chemical Corporation, and formerly chief of the Economic Cooperation Administration (ECA) and a deputy Defence Secretary; General Lucius D. Clay, now a big businessman, but formerly Military Governor of the U.S. Zone of Germany. It includes also the presidents of the two giant radio and television networks, CBS and NBC and John Cowles, publisher of the mass circulation "Look" magazine and of the Minneapolis "Star and Tribune." Mr. Henry Luce of "Time" and "Life" has associated himself with this group in sponsoring the Rockefeller Report on U.S. military weakness.

Among the group are men who engineered Mr. Eisenhower's election as Republican Presidential candidate for 1952. The group controls much of the money without which political campaigns cannot be fought; it enjoys the support of eminent scientists and educators like Physics Professors Ernest O. Lawrence and I.I. Rabi.

### Wealth and Prestige

This power elite, moreover, includes men who take party affiliations very lightly, having served under a Democratic President, even though they were Republicans. They are extremely well-informed, have wealth, prestige and the "mass communication media" at their disposal, and are prepared to use all this to bring pressure on the Government. It is they who arranged the findings of the Gaither Report, yet unpublished, to leak out.

Early last month, they met as a distinct group, with Vice-President Nixon, and told him they were organising all over the country, local replicas of their group to awaken the U.S. and promote a "correct" response to Russia's challenge. On February 3 and 4 they will meet at Yale University to set the organization of these local groups in action.

These men are tackling the problem of national salvation with the businesslike fervour they put into their charities, and American charity drives are well-nigh irresistible.

# DENTAL PROBLEM

WITH the arrival during recent months of further groups of partially-qualified dental practitioners from Eastern Europe, a question has been re-opened that was believed to have been settled by compromise in 1952.

In general, "Dental Practitioners," with technical but no medical training, may have been common up to about 25 years ago, but since then they have been replaced in most countries by fully qualified dentists with a large measure of medical training. The Hebrew University Dental School requires six years of study before it will issue a diploma. On the other hand an acute human problem is occasioned when dental practitioners with many years' experience and a good record arrive in this country, only to discover that they will not be able to carry out their profession here, as it is not recognized. After a prolonged struggle with the Dental Association, an agreement was arrived at in 1952, that would permit practitioners who had worked for a certain number of years to take examinations for licences without further study. The decision was made mainly because the practitioners were immigrants who may not have understood the situation before coming here, and it was felt that an exception should be made.

The situation that has now arisen is substantially the same. There are again over 300 new immigrants who seek practitioners' licences; if they were granted it would bring the total number of practitioners to about 700, compared with about 1,000 fully qualified dentists. The dental profession has been vehement in its opposition to the issuing of further such licences. They maintain that the entire standing and repute of their profession is at stake, and that any compromise in this matter of principle will end in the lowering of medical standards.

The Medical Council, which met yesterday to consider the matter, is similarly opposed, and also claims that the additional fully qualified dentists who have lately arrived as immigrants have left us sufficiently equipped in this respect. They say of the practitioners that even men with many years of experience, who might carry out regular treatments successfully, are much more liable than qualified dentists to make a false diagnosis in difficult cases, and to fail to recognize threatening complications after treatment is begun. It is understood that a number of such mishaps have occurred during the past few years, and that patients have either suffered irreparable damage to their health, or been taken for emergency treatment to a specialist. It is believed by some dentists, on the other hand, that pressure in Kupat Holim dental clinics could be eased by the employment of practitioners who would work only in conjunction with a qualified dentist, who would make the diagnosis and take over in the event of unforeseen difficulties.

Medical practitioners are human, and must also make mistakes, and so do the best of dentists, but the patient's absolute confidence in the doctor's training and judgment is one of the latter's most essential assets. It will do little good for the development of Israel medicine and its esteem by the public to permit large numbers of dentists to receive patients although they are labelled as of the second grade.

# Peacemaker of the Gaza Strip

By PHILIP GILLON

WILLEM Frederik Abeling, the Hollander who came to Israel a year ago to make peace between Mr. Ben-Gurion and Nasser, has settled down cozily here close to the borders of the Gaza Strip. Finding an abandoned British Army Nissen hut on the Zikim-Yad Mordechai crossroads, Mr. Abeling, his wife and his 17-year-old daughter have turned it into a "home from home." Mr. Abeling is determined not to move until the Dutch Government returns his passport to him, to enable him to cross borders freely and legally.

Last year he made his way safely, together with his family, past the Israel patrols and through mine-fields into the Gaza Strip without making any effort to hide or protect himself. Eventually he took possession of a UNEF post in the Strip, where he was found by some startled U.N. troops. The officer in charge persuaded him to return to Israel and to visit Nasser by another, more conventional route.

The Netherlands Government apparently considers the man with a mission an embarrassment. On the one hand, they refused to renew his passport when he applied for it on a return trip to Holland last year (he came back to Israel with just a visa that was separate from his passport).

Alternatively, they are trying to persuade him to abandon his scheme by offering him a free passage home. At one time the Netherlands Minister even went to the length of visiting him in person, but could not satisfy Mr. Abeling. "Everybody has papers," he said; "you have papers to prove who you are — only I am stateless. Why should I be stateless?"

Pending receipt of a satisfactory answer, or of a passport, the family has been converting its Nissen hut into a comfortable home. In Holland Mr. Abeling was an interior decorator, and he has certainly succeeded in making the best of the abandoned hutment. He bought panes of glass and made window-frames and doors from odd pieces of wood. One of the neighbouring kibbutzim provided him with cement with which he patched the holes in the walls.

He receives guests in his "salon" on armchairs made of bales of straw covered with sacks. Kibbutz Erez gave him a lamp. He has patched up a stove, built a tiny larder, collected some work tools.

*The Abelings outside their Nissen hut.*

"I did not want to impose on Israel, which has been very kind to me," he says, "so I made my habitation in a place which nobody else could possibly want."

He scoffs at any idea of danger from across the border, pointing out that every one warned him that he could not possibly cross the lines alive. But he says that he has had to suspend his mission merely to keep alive: life is the first requisite to activity.

His daughter, an attractive blonde, brings the family water in a tin from a neighbouring citrus grove. As a hobby she has tamed a young dove, which not only follows her but eats seeds from her lips.

The family has been dedicated to its peace mission for many years; Abeling educated his daughter himself, teaching her several languages, mathematics and other basic subjects. Both his wife and daughter believe implicitly in what he is doing.

For food they rely entirely on the goodness of Heaven and the surrounding kibbutzim. Kibbutz Erez has been particularly kind. At one time they were without food for 48 hours and Mr. Abeling says that he has lost 15 kilos in weight. "But we are healthy," he adds.

The women break into delighted laughter at the sight of chocolate. "Only today we talked about chocolate! We said how wonderful it would be to have some!"

The police do not bother Mr. Abeling. As for the future, his plans are clear. As soon as he has a passport he will go to America to see President Eisenhower. After that, Nasser — then Khrushchev. He says philosophically that he is prepared to suffer somewhat for peace.

*Yesterday's Press*

# Russia Against M.E. Accord

MR. Hammarskjold's sudden visit to London, writes Ha'aretz (non-party) is connected either with a plan to push the idea of dis-armament talks or to determine whether the nations deem it opportune to launch an all-out campaign for Arab refugee settlement as a prerequisite for ending Middle East tension. If the second assumption is correct, the Secretary-General should bear in mind that Russia must be included in the picture, else Moscow will stir up discontent that is bound to torpedo any such scheme. The Arab countries, which have consistently found it to their advantage to balk any settlement efforts, have always been and are especially now a willing tool to the Russian purpose.

**Hatzofe** (World Mizrahi) approves of the veil of secrecy over Mr. Hammarskjold's mission and adds that past history has proved that too much "open diplomacy" can ruin many endeavours. Although not too much store should be set by the London talks, which can at best be a link in a long chain of negotiations, the fact that the Secretary-General has the respect of the various elements at odds over the Middle East is a great asset.

The plan to rehabilitate some of the Arab refugees in the state of Israel, writes **Davar** (Histadrut), is a step in the right direction and it would be highly desirable for the Arab countries to settle the rest within their own borders. This move will prove more salutary and beneficial than seeking the destruction of Israel or inviting the great powers to stage a battle royal over the Middle East in order that they may gain their own ends.

**Haboker** (General Zionist) denounces the Mapai economic ministers for setting up constructive enterprises only to destroy them. The case in point is the rayon plants that will have to shut for lack of raw materials which are lying about in the customs because the import duty on them is inordinately high.

**Herut** raps the Government for "doctoring" the index and trying to show that the cost of living has dropped while in truth it has soared. An accurate index cannot show a two-point drop while prices are continually on the rise, they claim.

**Omer** (Histadrut) doffs its hat to the men (Israeli new immigrants) who serviced the machines in building the Eilat Road and hopes that new settlements will spring up on either side of it and make it throb with dynamic activity.

**Hamodia** (World Agudah) does not believe that the rift between the Hevrat Ovdim and Eshed will persist for long: the transport cooperative will have its way in the battle over its decision to raise its workers' basic wage by IL100 a month, since neither the Histadrut nor the Government can long do without Eshed's contributions to the party's election fund. The "consumer" will have to foot the bill in the long run.

*The Middle East Scene*

# Pan-Arab Prototype

By AMNON BARTUR

MICHEL Aflek, one of the three recognised leaders of the Arab Socialist Ba'th (Resurgence) Party in Syria, has been around a great deal lately. After attending the meetings of the preparatory committees of the Afro-Asian Peoples' Solidarity Conference in Cairo last October as head of the Syrian delegation, Aflek went to Athens to represent his party at a congress convened there early in November by Socialist parties from several European countries, as well as from the Middle East and North Africa, to decide on ways "to fight Imperialism in the Mediterranean and the Middle East." From Athens Aflek went to Yugoslavia, where he and his companions stayed two weeks as guests of the Socialist Alliance of the Working People of Yugoslavia. He then returned to Cairo to attend the sessions of the Afro-Asian parley, where he was to prove quite outspoken.

Unlike his two colleagues at the helm of the Ba'th party, Aflek holds no official position and is not even a member of the House of Deputies. While Akram Haurani was recently elected Speaker of the Syrian Parliament, and Salah e-Din el-Bitar has been serving as Foreign Minister for some time, Aflek has consistently refused to participate in the Government in any way, protesting that his party's main job is to inculcate the pan-Arab ideal into the mind of the populace and provide a kind of intellectual and spiritual guidance to the governing circles of Syria and other Arab countries, as well as direct Ba'th branches in these countries (so far the only two such branches, the Iraqi and the Jordanian, are illegal; President Nasser has failed to grant permission for an Egyptian branch). Haurani, on the other hand, is a "realist" and a political opportunist in the strict sense of the term.

### Opposed to Communists

Sharp differences of opinion between the two leaders and their respective factions have also focused on the question of cooperation with the Communists, with Haurani advocating it and Aflek opposing. So far, Haurani seems to have the upper hand.

Unlike Haurani, Aflek is an intellectual. His interest in politics started in the late thirties. After a brief appearance as a leading intellectual of the Communist Party of Syria and Lebanon, it was then that he "deviated" into a kind of mystical pan-Arab ideal resulting in his leaving that party and founding a group of his own, which was to develop into the Ba'th Party (*Hizb el-Ba'th*).

The present Ba'th party is the result of the union between Aflek's party and Haurani's Arab Socialist Party, which was effected in September 1952. This was at best a marriage of convenience (largely for Haurani) and constant differences between the two blocs have always lurked near the surface, with Aflek threatening more than once to walk out, with his own group, and end the alliance.

### Two 'Incidents'

"Aflek's recent appearances on various Socialist and Afro-Asian platforms have resulted in two very instructive "incidents." The first was heralded by an Italian newspaper report and a letter to the Editor of the "New Statesman" published on November 23 and signed by Mr. Fenner Brockway, British Labour M.P. and former leader of the defunct Independent Labour Party. Mr. Brockway claimed that as a result of private talks with Aflek in the Greek summer resort near Athens where the "anti-Imperialist" congress was held earlier in the month, the latter had intimated his party's readiness to meet representatives of "the Israel Socialist Party" and discuss with them Israel-Arab relations.

Aflek

**This seems to have stirred some comment in the American press, for on December 28, Beirut Radio reported that Salah el-Bitar, Aflek's colleague in the Ba'th party leadership, had told reporters that, far from being ready to meet representatives of the "Zionist Socialist Party," Aflek had immediately denied the report. According to el-Bitar, Aflek said in his denial that "he and his party do not recognize the existence of Israel and therefore cannot recognize the existence of a Socialist party in that country."**

The second incident occurred late in December. When el-Bitar was giving his version of Aflek's attitude, the latter was representing Syria in the Afro-Asian Solidarity Conference in Cairo. At an early stage of the conference, Aflek had called on Arab Governments to nationalize Western oil firms in their respective countries and appropriate their holdings and installations; he said this was the quickest way for these countries to acquire capital.

**Perturbed by a declaration coming from a leader of the most influential political party in Syria, the London "Financial Times" sought the opinion of Khaled el-Azem, Deputy Premier and Finance Minister, on Aflek's pronouncement. The answer, which was published in that paper on January 6, was prompt and unambiguous. El-Azem, who has been the main architect of Syria's satellization to Moscow, and who, though not belonging to the Ba'th party, cannot be said to be at variance with either el-Bitar or Haurani, told the British correspondent that the West could rest assured that there was no threat to the oil pipelines passing through Syrian territory. The Syrian delegate in the Cairo parley, he added, was not expressing Syria's official policy and his opinions were entirely his own private concern.**

Did Aflek really intimate to Mr. Brockway that direct discussions between Arab and Israel Socialists were conceivable, or even acceptable, to him? There seems to be no good reason to doubt the authenticity of Mr. Brockway's impressions of his talks with Aflek. But there is equally little doubt that Aflek did not mean what he said; along with other Ba'th leaders, he had too often advocated a hostile policy toward Israel, too persistently sought her "liquidation."

Almost immediately after the conclusion of the Athens congress Aflek granted an interview to an "Al-Musawwar" writer in which he attacked the Communist Party of Syria, which "has always adopted stands that can only be termed treason to the Arab nationalist viewpoint." As proofs of this, Aflek cited the Communists' support of the Allies during World War II, and the fact that they began to oppose Israel "only after she became a Western base." Moreover, having supported the U.N. Partition Plan, they "have lately been advocating peace with Israel."

But even while he was having his private discussions with Mr. Brockway, Aflek was engaged in a fierce controversy, seeking to prevail upon his European comrades at the Athens congress to support an anti-Israel resolution. According to a report by an observer (Ahmed Baha'a e-Din, "Rose el-Yusuf," November 18, 1957) Aflek did his best to put across a resolution calling for the implementation of the U.N. rulings on Palestine, especially the one stipulating the return of the Arab refugees. According to the same report, he succeeded in persuading the reluctant Italians, Yugoslavs and Britons attending the Congress to approve the resolution. Moreover, when one of the British delegates suggested that Great Power intervention in the Middle East be condemned, Aflek protested that this would mean condemning both the West and the Soviet Union, and would put them on the same footing — which was not just, "because the West alone interferes and threatens and dispatches fleets and concludes pacts by force." Again the Briton (a Mr. Rankin) was convinced.

### Yugoslav Communique

Aflek's stay in Yugoslavia was also fruitful, although he does not seem to have obtained anything tangible on the "Palestine Question." According to a December 5 dispatch by Tanjug, the Yugoslav news agency, the communique issued at the conclusion of the talks between the delegations of the Syrian party and the Socialist Alliance of Yugoslavia "examined the situation in the Arab countries and in the Near East and expressed the view that the Arab peoples should be enabled to realize their complete political and economic independence." They "condemn the policy of pressure and interference which is being pursued at present toward certain Asian countries, particularly toward Syria." The Yugoslavs seem to have managed, no doubt after fierce and prolonged wrangling, to avoid being involved in an explicit anti-Israel pronouncement.

Back in Damascus, Michel Aflek will resume his task of "inculcating the pan-Arab ideal into the mind of the populace" — and start his endless round of differences with Haurani. But whatever differences of opinion Aflek may have with his powerful and wily partner, the question of the party's attitude toward Israel is not likely to be one of them.

In November, 1955, when the Ba'th's influence was quite negligible, Haurani made an interesting comment on Sir Anthony Eden's famous speech at Guildhall. "We know" he said, "that Israel will never relinquish any part of her territory except by force. We must first be strong, because the language of force is the only understood in the age we are living in."

There is little doubt that Aflek would concur.

# Readers' Letters

## ISRAEL EXHIBITION SELECTION

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It must be well known to many people in Israel that I have recently returned after a visit which will always remain one of the most inspiring episodes in the whole of my life. While my primary duty was to discuss, in the appropriate quarters, the arrangement of an exhibition of Israel art in Britain, I was able, thanks to the limitless hospitality of the Government and excellent arrangements made by the Foreign Ministry, to see a great deal in a very short time. I came away with a deep sense of wonder and admiration for the united sense of purpose underlying the whole of life in Israel.

The exhibition referred to above is now in course of preparation, but unfortunately unity of spirit among the artists of Israel is, in this instance, at stake. Those members of the New Horizon Group whose work was included in the list have expressed their inability to cooperate. They feel — and there is a certain justice in their point of view — that the unity of the exhibition will be destroyed if the work of what may be called representational artists are included. However, the aim of the exhibition is to show the best in a diversity of styles. And never was there a moment in history when there was so great a variety of coexistent styles in painting. And who, at this juncture, would take it upon himself to make a pontifical judgment as to which had and which had not an ultimate validity? We in England want to see the whole gamut of Israeli painting within the obviously severe limitations set by space and cost. I appeal to the New Horizon Group to waive their prejudices and in this Anniversary Year to join with their fellow-artists of Israel and not to cause a breach in the ranks which will be both noticed and regretted.

Yours, etc.
*PHILIP JAMES*
*Director of Art, The Arts Council of Great Britain*

London, January 10.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Mr. Srych complains in his letter of today that Mr. James was not in this country long enough to recognize what represents "Israel Art." His statement conjures up pictures of kibbutz landscapes, or figures in blue shirts piping to a herd of sheep. Does Mr. Srych know what "Israel art" is? We believe it to be paintings by artists who profess Israel nationality. The only possible criterion for selecting their works is on the basis of good or bad pictures, in the sense that they are well or badly composed and painted; in an original, interesting or on the other hand, completely pedestrian manner.

Yours, etc.
*M. D.*
*(Name and address supplied)*

Jerusalem, January 13.

## DENMARK AND ISRAEL

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—Permit me to add a few words to your second leader about Denmark, on January 10.

With its 43,000 sq.km. Denmark is more than twice the size of Israel's 20,600 sq.km. (and not one-and-a-half times its size, as you wrote.) With our rapidly growing population, we are thus approaching Denmark's population density of about 100 inhabitants per sq.km. Nobody, however, will deny that Denmark's distribution of population is better than ours with regard to both regional and occupational distribution Nevertheless, many Danes complain of the undesirability of having 25 per cent of the total population in their lovely capital, Copenhagen. How do we compare, with almost half of our population concentrated in the three cities?

It may also interest your readers to know that the thoroughly democratic political structure of Denmark is based on a parliament elected by proportional representation. With some three to five main parties represented in the 150-man Folketing, they nevertheless seem to be able to form stable coalition or one-party governments.

There is much, indeed, we could learn from friendly, little and democratic Denmark.

Yours, etc.
*DAN H. YAALON*

Jerusalem, January 11.

# MUSICAL DIARY

**Israel Philharmonic Orchestra: special concert. Jose Iturbi, conductor and solo-pianist (Mann Auditorium, January 8) Beethoven: "Egmont" Overture and Third Piano Concerto; Morton Gould: "Spirituals"; de Falla: Dance Suite from "The Three-Cornered Hat."**

DOUBLING as conductor puts Mr. Iturbi in a disadvantageous competition with himself. While his piano playing bears the hall-mark of a great artist in spite of some minor shortcomings, his conducting could hardly be considered more than amateurish.

We have heard our orchestra "conducting itself" much more convincingly than it did under Mr. Iturbi's baton. Even in the concerto, of which Mr. Iturbi gave an exciting rendition, the Orchestra did not remain unhandicapped. The guest artist was at his best in the de Falla Dance Suite, a lively score full of scintillating moments of which one never tires.

Gould's "Spirituals," a first performance in Israel, is a very cleverly conceived work which depends mostly upon Negro folk idioms, not all very happily chosen. We preferred the slower "Sermon" and "Protest" to the too noisy "Proclamation" and "Jubilee."

**Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. Second Youth Concert. Gary Bertini, conductor; Uri Shoham, flute (Mann Auditorium, January 9). Telemann — Suite for Strings and Flute; Roscovitch: Little Suite; Prokofieff: Scherzo and March from "Love for Three Oranges"; Beethoven: Symphony No. 8.**

IN his early thirties, Gary Bertini is already a well-accepted figure in Israel's musical life: first as founder and conductor of the Rinat Choir, which he has brought up to an unprecedented level, secondly as the director of the "Musical Youth Movement," and last but not least as an orchestra conductor.

This concert proved beyond doubt that much can be expected from him in this capacity. If his gestures and cues show some exuberance his positive approach to all the works he presented attested to his sound musicianship.

Uri Shoham has a beautiful tone, and though the work he played does not demand too much of the performer, the neat technique he deployed proved his vast possibilities in regard to virtuosity as well.

### Abroad

Mr. Zeev Priel, who is to conduct one of the coming I.P.O. Youth Concerts, has come home after a successful tour of radio concerts abroad. In his programmes in Athens, Rome and Brussels he presented mainly works by Israel composers such as Ben-Haim, Jacobi, Bergel and Alexander.

On his way to the U.S. Daniel Barenboim, the young Israel pianist, gave several recitals in Athens. The public and the critics received him enthusiastically, and the daily "Kathemirini" wrote, after his performance of Beethoven's Third Piano Concerto with the State Orchestra:

"Judging Barenboim not as a prodigy but as a mature musician, he can be placed among the outstanding personalities of his art."

*AVIDOM*

**Sh. Petrounkha and A. Sachs on "Music Programmes of Kol Yisrael" (Be'eri Club Music Circle, Jerusalem, January 12).**

THE complex job of planning 90 music programmes for 40 hours of broadcasting time every week for our heterogeneous population was taken up by the principal planners of the Music Department of Kol Yisrael in the informal atmosphere of "meeting the public" at the Be'eri Club. Material or financial limitations, requests for particular programmes, the problem of serious and light music, contemporary compositions and educational broadcasts, duplication with Galei Tzahal or within Kol Yisrael itself, the apparent tastelessness of some types of light music, and many other points, were raised and discussed. The announcement that the 25-man Orchestra would be enlarged with the beginning of the new budget year to include 40 regular members was received with great satisfaction and all possible improvements which this development promises were analyzed. The Press came in for the criticism that it does not cover first broadcasts and radio premieres like concert-hall events.

*Y. BOEHM*


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